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On July 30 Emboff presented information to Joint Secretary, Europe and America Division, and U.N., International Organization and International Law Division, Dr. Dinesh Bhattarai about the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism, also known as the Nuclear Terrorism Convention (NTC) and urged the government of Nepal to sign and ratify the treaty at its earliest convenience. Dr. Bhattarai was familiar with the treaty and stated that Nepal did intend to sign and ratify the treaty, though he was unable to say when that might occur. He stated that Nepal had a clear position opposing terrorism and the misuse of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons. Dr. Bhattarai conceded that Nepal probably did not have adequate domestic legislation to comply with the provisions of the NTC, but he expected domestic legislation to be enacted after ratification of the NTC.

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